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SUBJ: ISRAELI NON-GOVERNMENTAL INVITATIONS TO EGYPTIANS TO PARTICIPATE
IN SCIENTIFIC MTGS.

REF: A) TEL AVIV 0052 (NOTAL); B) CAIRO 2510 (2/10/77, NOTAL)

1. WE REC'VD, JAN.15, LETTER FORWARDED BY EMB TEL AVIV ADDRESSED TO CHAIRMAN, COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPT. UNIV. OF ALEXANDRIA WITH BROCHURES ON INT'L CONFERENCE ON DATA BASES AND COMPUTERS, COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER (THIRD JERUSALEM CONFERENCE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY), AUG.6-9,1978 (REFTEL).

2. DURING JAN.17 MTG. SCIATT ASKED MINISTOF STATEDR. NAIM ABU TALEB, WHO HAS RESPONSIBILITIES IN S&T, IF THERE WAS A GOE VIEW ON SUCH INVITATIONS AND WHETHER THERE WOULD BEANY OBJECTION TO EMB DELIVERING THE LETTER. ABU TALEB SAID THATVIEOINT NOWS THAT SUCH INVITATIONS SHOULD NOT BE ACCEPTED; PENDING ACHIEVENT OF SATISFACTORY PROGRESS TOWARDS PEACE, ESPECIALLY OUTCOME OF JERUSALEM TALKS. IF THERE IS SATISFACTORY PROGRESS INVITEES MIGHT BE PERMITTED TO ACCEPT AS SIGN OF WILLINGNESS TO ENGAGE IN DEGREE OF "NORRALIZATION". IN MEANTIME, WE SHOULD FEEL FREE TO DELIVER INVITATIONS; WHICH WE WILL DO.
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3. MIN. ABU TALEB, COINCIDENTALLY, IS FORMER CHAIRMAN OF COMPUTER SCIENCES DEPT. AT ALEXANDRIA UNIV. HE SAID THAT ISRAELI SPONSORS/ INVITORS AND INTERESTED US PARTIES SHOULD BEADVISED NOT TO EXPECT RESPONSES (ACCEPTANCES) AT THIS TIME. ABU TALEB NOTED THAT GOE CABINET MEMBERS WERE ALSO RECEIVING LETTERS AND INVITATIONS; PM MAMDUH SALEM WAS SAID TO HAVE REC'VD LETTER (FROM US) PROPOSING

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SERVICES OF AN ISRAELI MANPOWER/MGT CONSULTANT OR FIRM. REPLY WAS SIMPLY THAT US INTERESTED PARTY WOULD BE WELCOME IN EGYPT.

4. COMMENT:
OPPORTUNITY TO MOT WITH ISRAELI PEERS CERTAINLY HAS APPEAL TO MANY EGYPTIAN SCIENTISTS. ONE RECENTLY TOLD SCIATT THAT HE HAD ALWAYS FELT AWKWARD AND UNCOMFORTABLE AT INT'LMTGS IN PRESENCE OF ISRAELIS, BUT THIS FEELING HAD NOW DISAPPEARED. THERE IS ALSO GREAT CURIOSITY ABOUT ISRAEL AND ITS ACHIEVEMENTS IN APPLYING S&T.
IT IS WORTH NOTING THAT SOME EGYPTIAN SCIENTISTS HAD WITH KNOWLEDGE OF MRS. SADAT BEEN EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF MTG. WITH ISRAELI COUNTERPARTS IN EGYPT AS LONG AGO AS FEB.'77 (REF B).
WE FIND PARTICULARLY SIGNIFICANT APPARENT WILLINGNESS OF EGYPTIAN SCIENTISTS TO BEGIN ESTABLISH DIRECT CONTACTS WITH ISRAELI COUNTERPARTS BEFORE SETTLEMENT REACHED, AS LONG AS SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS TOWARD PEACE BEING MADE.EILTS

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